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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 5-7, 9-16, 23-25 and 27-40 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Regarding claims 5, 23, 35, 38, 39 and 40 examiner agrees with applicant that the instant application is a divisional and the double patenting rejection is withdrawn, also nowhere in the prior art is found a liquid crystal display panel having light guide disposed below the liquid crystal panel, a lamp facing both surfaces, a lamp housing having an inner side holding the lamp inside and a main supporter having a portion between the lamp housing and liquid crystal panel and below the lower side of the liquid crystal panel.

Claims 6-7, 9-16, 24-25, 27-34 and 36-37 are allowable because dependency upon claims 5, 23 and 35 respectively.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John A. Ward whose telephone number is 571-272-2386. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Sandra O'Shea can be reached on 571-272-2378. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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